IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	oplication of:)			
Welcher et al.) Group Art Unit: 1743			
Application No.: 10/539,035)) Examiner: Brian J. Sines)			
Filed:	June 14, 2005))			
	ADVANCE PROGRAMMED SAMPLE PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHODS OF BIOLOGICAL SLIDE PROCESSING	Confirmation No.: 9296			
Comm	nissioner for Patents				

Sir:

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment . The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	A	dditional Fee
Total	59	-	56	3	x \$ 50	\$	150.00
Indep.	3	-	3	0	x \$210		
☐ First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$370							
Subtotal							
Reduction by ½ if small entity							
TOTAL							

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Dated: October 31, 2007

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